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**IN THE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

D.J., a minor by and through his Guardian Ad
Litem

Plaintiff,

v.

WALNUT CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT,
SPECTRUM AND DOES 1-10

Defendant.

CASE NO: 3:24-cv-02660-LJC

**ORDER GRANTING PETITION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AD
LITEM**

Plaintiff D.J. a minor filed a Petition to Approve the Appointment of Kasra Rahimi as Guardian Ad Litem for D.J. The Court, having reviewed the record, finds this matter suitable for decision without oral argument. For the reasons set forth below, the Petition will be granted.

BACKGROUND

On or about May 2, 2024, Plaintiff D.J. filed a Complaint against Defendants Walnut Creek Unified School District, Spectrum and Does 1-10 alleging he was abused while placed by Walnut Creek Unified School District in Spectrum School.

On May 28, 2024, D.J filed an application seeking appointment of Kasra Rahimi as D.J.'s guardian ad litem.

1 “District courts have a special duty, derived from Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 17(c), to
2 safeguard the interests of litigants who are minors.” Robidoux v. Rosengren, 638 F.3d 1177, 1181 (9th
3 Cir. 2011). Pursuant to Rule 17 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, a representative of a minor or
4 incompetent person may sue or defend on the minor or incompetent person’s behalf.

5 Plaintiff’s motion satisfy the requirements for appointment of guardian ad litem under Fed. R.
6 Civ. P. 17(c).

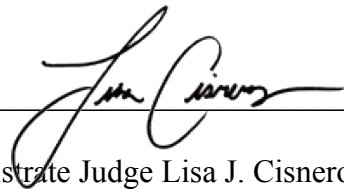
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8 **ORDER**

9 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

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11 1. The Petition to Appoint Kasra Rahimi as guardian ad litem for D.J. filed on May 28, 2024, is
12 GRANTED; and
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14 2. Kasra Rahimi is appointed to act as guardian ad litem for Plaintiff D.J. and is authorized to
15 prosecute the claims on D.J.’s behalf.

16 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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18 Dated: June 18, 2024

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